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if a degree is to be granted at Chadron and Wayne that it ought to have the same concept as our current law and be granted only by Kearney. But access could be there at other places which is no different than what I would argue is the current policy of the state is to provide access without duplication. I have granted all the way along it has not functioned as well as I would have hoped and there is a lot of places where the turf blame perhaps could be laid, but again if a study as was included in which I also signed means anything, I would assume that you do not put in the funding which makes the study actually of no point. If you fund something to have it occur, studying to decide whether to spend it, you know, I can tell you how the results are going to be. It doesn't really make any difference. I look upon this amendment as at least trying to bring a little order into how much expansion and duplication of postsecondary graduate programs you are going to have in the state and still retain access. I do not...I understand the bill is going to pass but I think at a minimum you would want to have some reasonable way and a manner in which that expansion is going to take place. Certainly the requirements for the various institutions to get together is a step in the right direction, but if you also go ahead and fund the whole thing without putting the plan together in the first place, I think you are going to embark upon an expansion of costs that far exceeds the minor amount that we are talking about here in the short period of time. So I would hope you would adopt the amendment because it actually, in fact, as I heard the discussion earlier this morning merely reflects what everybody said, although by the opposition, maybe that is not correct. That is, maybe they didn't mean what they said.

PRESIDENT: The motion is the adoption of the Warner amendment to LB 970A. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. 15 seconds to record your votes. The motion is the adoption of the Warner amendment to LB 970A. 5 seconds to record your vote. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 15 nays on adoption of the amendment, Mr. President.